

FLWEMS Paramedics Adult Protocol for the Management of:

SHOCK

(To include septic and non-traumatic hypovolemic shock)

Shock Etiology

Cardiogenic Shock – See Cardiovascular Emergencies Protocols Neurogenic Shock – See Trauma Protocol Anaphylactic Shock – See Anaphylaxis Protocol Hypovelemic Shock due to Trauma – See Multi-Systems Trauma Protocol

Indications

To outline the paramedic care and management of the patient who exhibits clinical signs of shock with the problem etiology of sepsis and/or volume loss.

Procedure

- 1. Secure an airway as outlined in FLWEMS Paramedics Adult Protocol for the Management of Airway & Ventilation and administer supplemental **Oxygen** as needed. Consider use of PEEP on intubated patients.
- 2. Establish two large bore IV's and infuse crystalloid (LR or NS) on pressure bags. Fluid replacement should be at a rate of two liters ASAP, follow up with two more liters or until clinical signs of shock are absent. Notify medical control in ALL cases when > 2 liters of IV fluid has been infused in route and the patient remains hypotensive SBP (< 90mm/Hg) or exhibits clinical signs of shock.
- 3. Refer to the ACLS algorithm for "Acute Pulmonary Edema, Hypotension, Shock".
- 4. Transport to appropriate Emergency Department.
- 5. Contact medical control for further orders as needed.

Special Considerations

- 1. Refer to FLWEMS Paramedics Adult Protocol for the Management of Infectious Disease protocol.
- 2. Patients who are hyperthermic will have a higher **Oxygen** demand.

CAIRA/Chemical Surety Considerations

None

Triage Considerations

Refer to S.T.A.R.T. Triage Protocol

END OF SOP - NOTHING FOLLOWS